

Queensborough Community College
The City University of New York

MINUTES
of the October 9, 2007 meeting of the
Academic Senate

President Marti called the meeting of the Academic Senate to order at 3:02 p.m.

I. Attendance:

The complete Senate roster is available at
http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/Governance/AcademicSenate/academic_senate_roster.asp

As determined from the attendance taken by the iclickers at the meeting there were sixteen absentees. Absent were:

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| D. King | P. Azrak | P. Pace | D. Satnarine |
| K. Pearl | S. Bruney | H. Diaz | |
| L. Menacho | B. Hersh | C. Wilson | |
| L. Stanley | R. Zahavy | J. Pantaleo | |
| M. Trachman | D. Fitzgerald-Royce | L. Zinger | |

II. Consideration of minutes of the September 11, 2007 meeting:

A **motion** was **made, seconded, and approved** to accept the September minutes. There were no negative votes and no abstentions.

III. Communications from the Board of Trustees or any of its Committees

- The url for the Board of Trustees is now included in the Agenda for those wishing to view current communications of the BOT.

IV. Communications from:

President Marti: President Marti referred to his written report. (*Attachment B of the October 9, 2007 Agenda*).

- The President announced that Chancellor Goldstein will be present on October 19th at the Conference of the College. He encouraged all faculty to attend and ask questions of the Chancellor.
- On October 18th there will be an opening of a new exhibit at the Art Gallery. The Cameroon exhibit will be on display for five months. The President urged faculty to use the exhibit and others at the gallery as a laboratory for student learning.
- This semester's Presidential Lecture will take place on November 28th. The speaker will be Vice Chancellor Selma Botman who is an Egyptian scholar and will be lecturing on Egypt in the modern day. A reception will follow the lecture.
- Concerning the budget, President Marti stated that the Mayor has a program in place to eliminate the gap created by receipts from the City that were lower than expected.
- The Holocaust Resource Center is beginning the process of looking at contractors.

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Steering Committee: Chair Philip Pecorino referred to the Steering Committee’s written report (*Attachment C of the October 9, 2007 Agenda.*) noting the following items:

- The amended Bylaws have HEOs serve in the Academic Senate.
- The Committee on WID/WAC is looking into a proposal to increase the number of writing intensive courses in History.

UFS Representative: The report on CUNY UFS Meeting of 9-25-06 was received. (*Attachment D of the October 9, 2007 Agenda.*)

V. Elections

- An election was conducted by closed ballot for three members of the Faculty at Large of the Academic Senate. The nominees were: Eugene Harris; Laura Freedgood; Eileen White; Carol Soto; Julian Stark
Elected were: *Eugene Harris (43); Eileen White (29); Carol Soto (34); Laura Freedgood (26) and Julian Stark (23) were elected as Alternates*
- An election was conducted for the Adjunct Representative to the Academic Senate. *Arlene Kemmerer* was nominated and elected.

VI. List of August 2007 QCC Candidates for Graduation:

A motion was **made, seconded,** and **approved** to accept the list of candidates for August 2007 graduation. (*Attachment E of the October 9, 2007 Agenda.*) There were no negative votes and no abstentions.

VII. Annual Reports (*Attachments F-I of the October 9, 2007 Agenda.*):

- Committee on Academic Development:** Annual Report received.
- Committee on Admissions:** Annual Report received.
- Committee on Awards and Scholarships:** Annual Report received.
- Committee on the Environment:** Annual Report received.

VIII. Monthly Reports

- **Committee on Bylaws:**
 - The Committee on Bylaws proposed a resolution to change the Bylaws (*Attachment J of the October 9, 2007 Agenda*) to address the right of new committees to conduct business prior to September 1 if the Fall semester begins before that date. A motion was **made** and **seconded** to accept the resolution. The motion to change the wording was **approved** with one abstention. Abstention: J. Nagler

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FROM: (Current Bylaws Passage): Article VII. COMMITTEES

Section 3. Committees’ Jurisdiction

b. Members of the Academic Senate standing committees shall function from the date of election until September first of the calendar year following their election. During the changeover period from the April Senate meeting to the September first next following, the various committees shall consist of members of both the retiring committees and the new committees. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the committee size as of September first. Those who will constitute the new committee shall elect one chairperson before the last day of classes of the semester in which the committee is elected. The new chairperson shall serve beginning September first; the retiring chairperson shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of the annual report as stipulated in Article VII, Section 7b, of these Bylaws.

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b. Members of the Academic Senate standing committees shall function from the date of election until the first day of the Fall Semester following their election. During the changeover period from the April Senate meeting to the first day of the following Fall Semester, the various committees shall consist of members of both the retiring committees and the new committees. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the committee size as of the first day of the Fall Semester. Those who will constitute the new committee shall elect one chairperson before the last day of classes of the semester in which the committee is elected. The new chairperson shall serve beginning the first day of the Fall Semester; the retiring chairperson shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of the annual report as stipulated in Article VII, Section 7b, of these Bylaws.

- **Committee on Committees** Report Received (*Attachment K of the October 9, 2007 Agenda*)
- **Committee on Curriculum**
 - Dr. Cotty presented the following for consideration by the Senate (*Attachment L of the October 9, 2007 Agenda*): A motion was **made, seconded, and approved** for the following change. There was discussion and the change was passed 2 no votes and 2 abstentions.

No votes: *E. Hartigan* *P. Weiss*
Abstentions: *J. Bertorelli* *A. Kolios*

PROGRAM REQUIREMENT REVISION

Department of Social Sciences:

Queensborough Community College/Queens College’s Dual/Joint A.A./B.A. Program in Liberal Arts and Sciences and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)

Summary of proposed change:

Students who fail to earn a grade of “B” or higher in their English 101 and 102 courses will be permitted to substitute **an additional Writing Intensive course for English 213**, with the following consequent revision to p. 73 of the Queensborough Community College catalogue:

